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Inventor: Fern Beauchamp
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Reference No.: 44 GG-04-US
Art Unit: 3723
Examiner: James G. Smith

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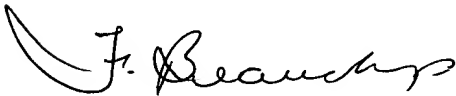
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United States Patent No. 2,635,661;
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United States Patent No. 4,762,036;
United States Patent No. 4,916,988;
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United States Patent No. 6,502,484;
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Respectfully submitted,

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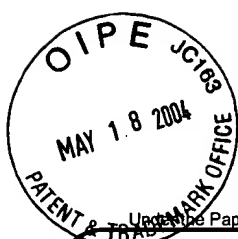
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